

## The Arts Barn

The Arts Barn, located in the Kentlands neighborhood of Gaithersburg, is a unique facility that offers something for the entire family. This elegant cultural arts center combines both visual and performing arts.

The Arts Barn was originally built in 1900 and was used as a stable for the Tschiffely Family's horses. Beautifully renovated, it now houses two artists-in-residence studios, two studio classrooms, two art galleries, and the City Art Shop on the first floor. The former barn loft has been transformed into a 99-seat theatre for the performing arts.



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The Arts Barn would like to hear from local artists – groups or individuals – who might be interested in participating in the Arts Barn’s Resident Artists Program.

Resident artists are selected by a jury panel to rent studio space in this lovely and quaint cultural arts facility. Participants in the **Resident Artists Program** serve as part of the “faculty” of the **Arts Barn’s** educational programs, and are required to commit to a moderate amount of community outreach activities (e.g. teaching, conducting workshops, lecturing). These outreach activities, for which the artist may be compensated, are specified by separate contract and tailored to the artist’s individual discipline. Resident artists are also expected to work some weekend hours to assist with the docent program.

The **Arts Barn** has two studios for lease ranging in size from 330 to 480 square feet. Located on the perimeter of the building, the spaces afford natural light and round the clock access. Both studios have a sink and cabinet area and excellent natural and artificial lighting. Artists must provide any other equipment and furniture they may require, subject to lease parameters, as well as appropriate storage for any flammable materials. Because of the intimate nature of the facility, certain media or scale of activity may not be appropriate for the space.

### Rental Fees

Annual rental fees are **\$9** per square foot for **City of Gaithersburg residents** (\$247.50 per month for the 330 square foot Studio # 102 and \$360 per month for the 480 foot Studio # 112) or **\$10** per square foot for **nonresidents** ( \$275 for Studio # 102 and \$400 for Studio # 112.) A utility surcharge of \$20 / \$30 will be added to the monthly rent. Artists are encouraged to consider joint application for studios to help defray expenses and to meet the center’s minimum hours of operation for resident artists, (**40 hours per month**). Leases are for a one year term. Renewals of leases will be subject to the jurying process and considered on a case by case basis.



## **ARTS BARN Resident Studio Artist Application**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. # \_\_\_\_\_  
Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Website \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Media \_\_\_\_\_

### ALL APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING:

- FEE:** A \$25.00 registration fee **must** accompany the application.  
(Make check payable to the City of Gaithersburg.)
- ESSAY:** The Arts Barn expects regular outreach programming by its resident artists. Therefore, candidates must submit a short (200 word maximum) essay describing proposed community outreach efforts and use of space along with the application.
- PHOTO CD:** Submit 10 - 20 images in jpg or gif file format. Images should be scanned at 100 ppi, but no less than 72 ppi and no greater than 300 ppi. Images should be approximately 1024 x 768 pixels.  
(*Finalists will be asked to present actual artworks for jurying at a later date.*)
- GROUPS:** In the case of a group’s leasing a single studio, each individual artist in the group must submit a separate application, fee, essay and examples as described above, and will be subject to the jurying process. In some cases it may be appropriate for the group to collaborate on a single essay (of no more than 400 words) if the artist’s works are of a similar nature.

### **Mail completed application, fee, photo cd and essay by June 17, 2011 to:**

Arts Barn Studio Program  
Attn: Andi Rosati  
311 Kent Square Road  
Gaithersburg, MD 20878

The judges will determine acceptability of the studio applicants based primarily on the quality of the artwork submitted. Community arts experience, extent and creativity of intended outreach activities and an enthusiasm for the **Arts Barn**, as evidenced by the essay, will also be factors in the jury process, and consideration will be given to representing a variety of media at the **Arts Barn**. Acceptance as a resident artist is contingent upon the artist’s commitment to abide by the terms of the lease agreement.

**For more information contact : Andi Rosati, Arts Barn Director, 301-258-6394, arosati@gaitthersburgmd.gov**

City of Gaithersburg website: [www.gaithersburgmd.gov](http://www.gaithersburgmd.gov)